

**What is claimed is:**

- 1           1.           A connector equipped with a valve, comprising:
  - 2                   a connector housing comprising:
    - 3                       a through path;
    - 4                       a tube connection section being formed at a first axial side;
    - 5                       a pipe insertion section being formed at a second axial side;
    - 6                       an internal valve disposed in said connector housing to open and close said
    - 7                       through path;
  - 5                   a connector equipped with a valve,
    - 6                       a valve housing section disposed between said tube connection section and said
    - 7                       pipe insertion section,
    - 8                       an inner diameter of said valve housing section being larger than an inner diameter
    - 9                       of said tube connection section;
    - 10                      said internal valve comprising:
      - 11                       a valve seat surface formed on an inner surface of said housing between said tube
      - 12                       connection section and said valve housing section;
      - 13                       a closing section having an outer perimeter section; an abutting surface formed on
      - 14                       said outer perimeter section and abutting said valve seat surface;
      - 15                       a main valve body housed in said valve housing section and
      - 16                       allowing axial movement; and
      - 17                       a compression spring biasing said main valve body toward a first
      - 18                       axial side; and
      - 19                       a cylindrical bushing being fitted to said pipe insertion section and filling a
      - 20                       space between an inner perimeter surface of a first axial side of said pipe insertion section
      - 21                       and an insertion-side end of an inserted pipe body.

1           2.       The connector equipped with a valve as described in claim 1, further  
2       comprising a valve cap receiving a second axial-side end of said compression spring and  
3       being integrally formed with a first axial-side end of said cylindrical bushing.

1           3.       The connector equipped with a valve as described in claim 1, wherein said  
2       main valve unit comprises:

3               a housing-side guide extending from said closing section to a second axial side and  
4       sliding over an inner perimeter surface of said valve housing section;

5               a connection-side guide extending toward a first axial side from said closing section  
6       and sliding over an inner perimeter surface of said tube connection section.

1           4.       The connector equipped with a valve as described in claim 3, further  
2       comprising;

3               a support groove formed on a second axial side of said housing-side guide  
4       of said main valve body wherein a first axial-side end of said compression spring is held  
5       and supported in said support groove.

1           5.       The connector equipped with a valve as described in claim 1, further  
2       comprising a small through-hole communicating with said through-path at both axial sides  
3       of said closing section and formed in said closing section of said main valve body.

1           6.       The connector equipped with a valve as described in claim 1, wherein said  
2       valve seat surface is formed with a linear cross-section shape and said abutting surface of  
3       said closing section is formed as an arc projecting outward in cross section.